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MONTREAL, CANADA,

river in the then solitary wilds of the Far West, but now a well-settled and highly cultivated section of the country, a group of the migratory inhabitants had assembled on its right bank, and were impatiently waiting to be ferried over.—

Among them were two horsemen, unencumber
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pearance of his unsociable companion.

ie withal. His eye, which was deeply sunk in I'm safe! I'm safe!" his head, was dark and lowering, with a subdued the could manage to live with the guilty sefierceness in it, which once might have been by together, and extending the palms of his

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must talk: the other, that if there be but one solitary subject upon which prudence forbids him to touch, this very subject, when he does

speak, will inevitably be the topic, Instead of answering the question put to him, the elder traveler asked another, evidently originecessary to refer again to the morning on which hood, was observed to cross the brook at Roseinating in his own absorbing reflections. "Are you from Galena, may I ask?"

"I am," was the prompt reply from his astonished companion.

"And may I inquire, in return," he continued, "how you came to ask the question, since I do now

grossed with the rich lead mines lately discov- true and faithful narrative. ered there; and then another long silence ensued In this cottage there lived at the time two disturb.

gold and purple upon the light fleecy clouds in by the humble occupation of peeling rush the west had no sooner given place to a sombre which are still much used, by the poorer clas gray, than one star after another began to peep es in that part of the country, for candles. forth in quick succession, and to shed upon our On the fatal morning in question, while it w forth in quick succession, and to shed upon our lonely wanderers a feeble and flickering ray—and it was night—darkness was around them on the wild and pathless prairie. If they felt an inveterate, though undefinable dislike towards each other in the daylight, it was mingled with fearful imaginings now; and these increased it, their attention was directed with fearful and it, their attention was directed with fearful and it, their attention was directed with fearful and it. with the gathering gloom. The sudden appear- intense interest to the ford. ance, however, of a twinkling light from the hut of a new settler, was hailed by both alike on horseback, in the very middle of the river. as a happy relief from an overwhelming feeling. They appeared to be engaged in a violent conof oppression, which would probably have been longer endured.

Hospitality, in all new and thinly peopled countries, is as striking a characteristic as it is amiable and convenient. The honest and industrious inhabitants evidently remember that they themselves were once pilgrims and sojourners in a strange land. Hence, food and shelter is freely afforded to any wayfarer benighted near their dwellings, not as a boon grudgingly and niggardly bestowed, but as a tax upon them to which they cheerfully submit, or rather as a debt they justly owe, and which they willingly and gladly pay.

Our way-worn travellers, well aware of this consider themselves at home for the night.

On reaching the hut, their horses were a shorter time than it has taken me to tell it. properly eared for, and a plentiful supper was The poor old couple of the cottage were so prepared for themselves. It consisted of Indi- terrified that they knew not hat to do. Their a just and retributive punishment would sooner an bread and steaks from a newly killed buffalo, rushes lay neglected on the old settle in the or later overtake him. broiled upon the hot embers, to which, as hun-chimney corner. The preparations for their gry men, they did ample justice. Dried skins simple breakfast, in which some progress had and awfully and literally fulfilled the same animal, or rather of the same spe- been made, were forgotten, and the oaten cake cies as that which had afforded them so hearty a was burning unheeded on the "griddle." supper, were then spread upon the rude floor of The roaring of the "force," which from their

of time, ere it became disturbed by mysterious cited imaginations, were mingled in fearful con- Within three weeks from the time of Dob- TREMENDOUS THE OLD OWL of the ABBEY. and frightful dreams, bearing a confused, but fusion with the sound.

The bright and cheering sunlight, when it two more than this; and, when I reflect upon it,

river in the then solitary wilds of the Far West, river they had lately crossed, till they came to sombre hue.

freight.

The two strangers, for such indeed they could not move a step; for, at that instant, he at the window—it was too low to admit of their pecially as years on years had passed away since getter along the only path they could discover, over the rolling prairie, which extended its desert loneliness in all directions, as far as the eye could reach.

"Do you think the Winnebagoes are out?" said the foremost of the two travellers, and the was gone than the woman in his conjectures.

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fearful, and whose piercing and stealthy glance hands as much as possible, so as to form a cavity between them, into which, between his lits weight, they thought and felt, would sink

Here Dobson, from some cause or other, did
not again immediately recognise his persecutor,

between young Bennet and his farther's mur- tell it, that would stop them, derer, - whom the reader, ere this, will have | Two days after this, Sir Frederick Vat Rosegill ford.

rivulet takes a sudden and abrupt turn to the hand. And that self-same evening one of the right, just where a beautiful cut stone bridge Dobsons was apprehended for the murder of not appear just now to be coming from that di- with safety this mountain torrent in its utmost forthwith sent with a strong guard to the counfury. On the outside of this cibow or turn in ty jail, to await his trial at the next assize. And he turned upon him, as he said this, a the brook, and consequently on its left bank, more searching look than he had yet bestowed there stood, at the period referred to, a small ilar fate, but he was from home at that time, and upon him, from which his companion seemed to lone cottage, thatched with heather, with its never came back. shrink, but soon regaining his self-possession, narrow and solitary window looking directly up he replied with some commonplace remark a- the stream, thus commanding a full view of the bout the public attention being so entirely en- cataract and the ford so often mentioned in this ming upon the family, or from his own guilty

which neither party seemed at all anxious to poor old people, Richard Langley and his wijanwho managed, with unceasing industry and pine The sun had just set, and the last tinge of ching frugality, to cke out a scanty livelil-

They saw two or three men on foot and one flict, and anon, they saw the horse gallop off

The gay light of the morning had now suffiview of the fray, when they recognised the two oldest of the young Dobsons, and their brother-in-law, and distinctly saw the latter and the youngest of the former, with each a hand upon the colar of the other person, whom they did not know or could not recognise, as his back was towards them. After a furious struggle they got their victim down into the water, and as it was not deep, they held up his feet till he was drowned. They then saw them relinquish their grasp upon his ankles, and the body of the murkindly feeling among the new settlers, especial-dered man was hidden for an instant from their pecially of the murder of Jack Bennett by his ly in that part of the country, hesitated not to view. In another moment, a dark object swept down the foaming cataract, and all was over in

the hut, near the fire, and they betook themselves to repose for the residue of the night.—

"To sleep:—perchance to dream!"

The roaring of the lorde, which from their of hearing semething that might lead to the discovery and conviction of the perpetrator of that down upon them in the balmy breath of fearful deed, or at any rate to afford some clue To sleep:—perchance to dream!"

down upon them in the balmy breath of fearful deed, or at any rate to afford some clue
Fatigued and weary as they were, a deep and that beautiful morning, and struck loudly and where-with to unravel the deep mystery in which refreshing sleep soon fell upon them both. It painfully distinct upon the ear; and wailings for was not, however, enjoyed for any great length the dead and unearthly voices, too, in their ex-

ring that long and silent ride of theirs through the prairie together, the evening before, and claiming, doubtless, a closer, though less striking connexion, with their hot and hearty sup-

adopt, to say not a single word about it.

herefored, and where privacy all the which is a many has possible, so as to form the third possible, so as to form the plant of the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his there than disagrated, as it gleaned rather than flashed upon the speaker from homeanic high all his weight, they seemed the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his there than the had upon the speaker from homeanic his shappy brows. His face was of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the hospital size and the writing of an owi, exclaiming, when he had done plantly separated, but the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of the work of the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of a place and plantly separated, he blew with all his the work of the seed of the work of the work

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identified with the two strangers-it will be the most active magistrate in all that neghbor-Tom Smith was found drowned below the "force" gill Ford, and his servant was soon seen walking to and tro before old Langley's cottage door, A short distance below Dobson's shop, the with the reins of two riderless horses in his enables the benighted traveler to cross Tom Smith, some twenty years before, and The brother-in-law would have shared a sim-

The eldest brother was missing too. Wheth-

er to get away from the poverty and distress co- or, rather, back-to where alas! he had no home conscience, or from a fear that something might

LOOKIN'

with a circumstantial account of the trial, as there was little or nothing that occurred but what is common to all cases of the kind. I play on horseback, in the very middle of the river. mention, however, how confident and bold, and sure of acquittal the prisoner appeared when first brought to the bar; how he wondered what without his rider; yet still the scuffle continued. the old Langleys could possibly have to do with the case; and how his surprise was turned into ciently advanced to afford them a more perfect horror and dismay, when they gave, as eye-wihorror and dismay, when they gave, as eye-winesses, so clear and succided an account of the
Whole transaction.

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The prisoner, with such evidence against him, I need hardly say, was found guilty and paid the penalty of his crime-blood for blood. When on the fatal scaffold, he acknowledged, with every mark of real and sincere repentance, the justice of his sentence. He gave, also, at the the justice of his sentence. He gave, also, at the same time, a short account, not only of his own other crimes, but those of the whole family, eseldest brother, whom he stated to be, at that precise period, working in the lead mines at Galena, in the Illinois Territory\* of the United States, where, he doubted not, he said, but that

These, his last words, were truly prophetic

Jack Bennet's son, now a full-grown man, though quite a child at the time of his father's murder, was present at the execution, in hope covery and conviction of the perpetrator of that

son's execution,-it might have been a day or CHAPTER VI.

THE DREAM.

On the subsiding of a fall freshet in a small cied himself swept down by the current of the spell, and seemed to gather thackness as they looked at it: all things, in short, that they for years took place, and another to go to Liverpool to had looked upon as bright and beautiful, were take his passage—in something more than three mow changed, as in a moment, by some magic spell, and seemed to have assumed a dark and this event, young Bennet landed on the shore of

Among them were two horsemen, unencumbered with families or household stuff, who, on that account, were the first to obtain a footing in the rude and unwieldy scow. And as some "fixing" for the debarking of wheel-carriages had in the sturdy ferrymen pushed off with their scantage and anough the sturdy ferrymen pushed off with their scantage and anough the special students of the sturdy ferrymen pushed off with their scantage and anough the special students of the special students are specially students and anough the special students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon the shore, until a dim light from the thought that, perhaps, he might have been so changed by labor and poverty, by age and sickness, and more than all, perchance, by the special students are special students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon the shore, until a dim light from the two old special students and students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon the shore, until a dim light from the two old sickness, and more than all, perchance, by the special students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon the shore, until a dim light from the two old sickness, and more than all, perchance, by the special students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon the shore, until a dim light from the two old sickness, and more than all, perchance, by the special students and anough the surging rapid gallantly, and evidently gaining fast upon

respective movements, that on leaving the mines MARTIN & BROTHER, they had taken different and circuitous routes, not receiving an immediate answer, he turned hearing his name distinctly enunciated by his best resolve. But the dreaded vengeance of both of which led to the ferry already mentioncarance of his unsociable companion.

In his figure he was tall and thin, but athlet
"No, no!" he said, "you'll not find me now! suing this right and proper course, and they degether, nor within a week or more of each other.

"No, no!" he said, "you'll not find me now! to wait so long before the flood sufficiently sub-

first sentinel at the old Abbey, as the reader will which formed the culminating point in their fearful history,—who had been guilty of no overt act of felony, emigrated to this continent, and became a successful settler.

His poor old mother had long ago been hap-pily numbered with the dead. And his father owed down with age and infirmity, and left alone in his poverty, when he saw that every man's hand was against him, determined to come to America to his rich and favorite son, the pet of the family, to ask him for a morsel of bread during the short time that, in the course of nature, he had to live.

He sold his idle looms, and did so. But the sordid wretch refused to grant the trifling boon he sought, and therefore he went home again,now-no house to shelter him, even for the short remnant of his days.

This eruel and unnatural conduct of his son transpire at his brother's trial or execution, if U. C. Diue Eage, Plates, Dishes se his persoand White Granite Plates, Dishes se his persoand White Granite Plates, Dishes se his persoand white Granite Plates, Dishes se his persoand in the did not long survive it. But how or when he died no one ever knew.

Long after he was missed as a wandering

Long after he was missed as a wandering American, Bohemian and Belgian Glassware ar mendicant in the neighborhood of his former exremaining and dilapidated chamber of the ruin afhave been quite sufficient to indentify it; but no! not a line was left-that was mutilated or destroyed, as if by some bird of prey, which all the country around believed to be no other than-The old Owl of the Abbey.

\*The initiatory step towards the accomplishment of this boss ful assertion has already been taken in the assertion movement in the British North American Colonies. To speculate upon what the next may be, would lead me into a long discussion of matters quite foreign to my story.

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in ploits as a mole-catcher and a poucher, a dead body, supposed, from the clothes upon it, to have body, supposed, from the clothes upon it, to have been that of old Dobson, was found in the only been that of old Dobson, was found in the only Marble Mantel Pieces; Fine Parlor, and Chamber Grates; Counter and Wash

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Just received in addition to his former stock, a supplies of the finest and most fashionable properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly and the story of the finest and most fashionable properly authenticated, who was give him a call to give me a call. Store on Main and all persons having claims against and estate are received in a decimal than the city, and those who give him a call to properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, were properly authenticated, and all persons having claims against and estate are received within three years they will be for this market, were properly authenticated, and all persons having claims against and estate are received in a decimal persons having claims against and estate are received in a decimal person having claims against and the properly authenticated, where the first and the city, and those who give him a call the city,

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